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Vouchers Amounting to Over Billion Delars Missing From the Shipping Board Report---Witness Testifies Board Had No Accounting System

Comgress' Order for Accounting of Funds Never Made Because of Bad Condition of Accounts.

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]

NEW YORK, Nov. 17 .- A series of startling disclosures tending to support what he declared to be a "complete lack of adequate accounting system" in the handling of government funds were made here today by Martin J. Gillen, a witness before the Walsh congressional committee investigating the affairs of the United States shipping board. Gillen was a special assistant to former Chairman

John Barton Payne.

The name of President-elect Harding was brought into the record when Gillen said he had informed Senator be appointed to all departments. He said appointments should be confirmed by the senate only when it is determined that the men named are capable and efficient.

but few men connected with the emergency fleet corporation had an expert knowledge of accounting." And he also said that it was due to a com-plete breakdown of the accounting system that the board had its main trouble. Figures used today by the witness ran into billions of dollars. He testified that one of the first acts of Chairman Payne when he discovered the condition of affairs was to go to the secretary of the treasury and ure from him the services of Alonzo Tweedale, whom he made treasur-er of the board. This was done about August 1, 1919, and he testified that among other conditions disclosed by the new treasurer were the following: No Report on Funds

There was no balance sheet showing what funds the board possessed or in what banks its funds were deposited. There was no record in the hands of the board, of securities valued at more than \$240,000,000 which the board The securities, he added, were found in the vaults of a trust company in Philadelphia where they had been

placed for safe keeping. There was no record showing in de-tan how \$2,500,000,000 had been expended up to that time.

There was no record of accounting with operators of shipping board ves-sels nor no way of determining how

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UNION PERMITS Three Men Held

between the Western Union Telegraph company and the state department, already strained to the point of open rupture, reached a store today where the government was understood to be considering seriously the revo cation of landing permits under which the companies existing cables are op-

The power of the executive branch step has never been estabfished in the courts, but a veiled inti- belief of the police and of the coroner mation of the purnose to bring it to that death was due to alcoholism and an issue was contained in a formal statement on the controversy given stories of the two Jorgensens, howout by the state department.

After announcing the refusal of the company to handle government cable according to copies of the statement messages except on prepayment, or to given out, that Marcus Brumberg and carry messags originating outside of a man named McCarthy, who hitherto ment rates, the statement said it had in Grant park in view of the two the United States at reduced governbeen the uniform policy of the government to allow the landing of cables only on condition that the United States should be entitled to enjoy the same privileges with regard to the control and use of such lines as were exercised by foreign governments,

It was obvious, the statement added, What the United States could not be expected to allow the Western Union company, an American corporation, to charge for government messages twice the rates charged the British and oth-

er governments. While the nature and scope of executive authority over the landing and regulation of cables lacks congressional or court definition, the present administration has taken the position that wide power was vested in the president through his constitutional control of foreign relations. Examination by the state department of the legal rights Grant park. of the government has revealed that

Cleveland and Harrison. A contrary position was taken, however, by Secretaries Olney and Greshever, by Secretaries Olney and Gresham, and it was held a situation might Roper and Bob Martin, heavyweights, am, and it was need a system of the department's power, tonight were matched to box 12 arise to test the department's power, tonight were matched to box 12 A legislative act to declare and ratify rounds to a decision in Baltimore No-A legislative act to the the sought the government's authority was sought the government's authority was sought man winning once. at the last session of congress.

SENATORS CONSIDERING ACTION TO REVIVE WAR FINANCE CORPORATION TO AID AGRICULTURAL INTERESTS

(Republican A. P. Leased Wire) WASHINGTON, Nov. 17 .- Senators from the western and southern states are considering urging legislative action to revive the war finance corporation. They said today this was the only agency which could give immediate help to agricultural interests in the "appalling" situation resulting from the sudden fall in prices.

Conference of western senators and representatives to discuss the matter will be called, it was said, when Chairman Gronna, North Dakota, of the senate agricultural committee arrives in Washington.

One suggestion is that congress adopt a mandatory resolution directing the immediate revival of the corporation,

In an appeal to President Wilson to restore the corporation, Senator Dail of South Carolina wrote that he had discussed the matter with Secretary Houston and added: "I must say that he does not comprehend in the least the situation, or

he does not desire to assist the American producer and I feel that it is absolutely useless for anyone to confer with him further on the subject. "I have conferred with all the leaders of our party and I have not yet found a single man who does not agree that the war finance corporation should resume operations at once."

The executive committee of the national board of farm organizations will meet here next Monday to discuss possible relief measures,

Delegations named at the recent agricultural conference here also asked Secretary Houston to rehabilitate the war finance corporation and were met with the statement that it was not necessary, the secretary quoting exports to show the amount of agricultural products which have moved

Pages of Capper-Hersman-Volstead bill legalizing collective marketing will be urged by the farmers' representatives at the coming session of congress, it was said today. They will also ask for congressional investigation for credits and rates of interests.

Harding that it was the duty of congress to see that only big men capable of handling affairs entrusted to them SYMPATHIZERS TO SEND COMMITTEE TO IRELAND

completed organization of "The Amer-

ican Association for the Recognition

At the same time the commission of

seven from the committee of one hund-

independence organizations.

The office of the Irish inquiry com-

mission announced today that plans

had been perfected to send a sub-com-

mittee to Ireland soon to make a first

commission in a round robin signed by

gagements would prevent his partici-

Man and Wife Found

-while the Republican

to its new home on

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Office is being moved

Are at your service!

Within a week the

private exchange will

be installed - in the

meanwhile use these

phone numbers:

the deaths.

Dead in Bed-Police

British labor party leaders, and simi-

red investigating the Irish question,

of the Irish Republic."

War Weariness of Greeks Cause of Premier's Defeat

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire] ATHENS. Nov. 16.—One of the hearings with two witnesses direct from Ireland on the stand.

In the hearings of the committee, howthe hearings with two witnesses direct Venizelos planned a coup d'etat to prevent their defeat. The Italian minister is said to have called upon Venizelos and, informing him of the plot, told the premier he would be responsible if there was any blood shed. It is declared Premier Venizelos, before resigning, issued the strictest orders for the enforcement of order.

orders for the enforcement of order. for tomorrow and after his appearance government. It is the frequently pendence. here that Lloyd George favors the reindicated abandonment of Venizelos three weeks ago by his notification

that Great Britain would refuse to sur-

render Cyprus to the Greeks. Reasons for his defeat are said by former Premier Venizelos to be the veariness of the people with politics, their desire for a rest and for the return of soldiers from the front, and emphasis placed by opponents on the charge that he was putting Greece into the hands of foreign nations. M. Venizelos declares this charge aroused ears of protracted wars in connection with his greater Greece policy, and he says popular jealousy played a part in his reverse at the polls last Sunday. "I am tired and want a rest. Now I will have time to enjoy reading

as Suspects in Chicago Murder sion expressed regret that pressing en-

CHICAGO, Nov. 17 .- Lawrence and Harris Jorgensen, two of the three men under arrest in connection with the deaths of Maree Ramey and Lillian Thompson, actresses, whose bodies were found in Grant park Sunday, tonight made signed statements which led the police to believe that the the government to take such a women were subjected to a brutal attack just prior to their death. The exposure was not changed by the ever, it was said.

Lawrence Jorgensen told the police was unmentioned, attacked the women Jorgensens who were said to have remained in the automobile in which North Central Avenue the four men and two women had been "joy riding."

Brumberg, according to the police, admitted that he and McCarthy got out of the machine with the women said that only the woman with McCarthy had been attacked. Brumberg is under arrest and McCarthy is being sought.

It was reported that he had taken beat for Buffalo, N. Y. The Jorgensen statements said that he two brothers and Brumberg went riding Saturday night in an automobile which they had borrowed. On a north side street they noticed Miss Thompstaggering and took her in the car, the statements said. At her request they drove around a corner and got McCarthy and Miss Ramey. After visiting some cabarets they went to

The police said tonight that they such a policy was held during the terms did not think the Jorgensens or of Grant, Hayes, Garfield, Arthur, Brumberg were to blame for the

man winning once.

Private Interests Will Not Influence Mexico Recognition

It was said today at the state departnent, until Mexico has made clear the effect to be given to article 27 of the Mexicon constitution relating to property in Mexico.

Strong pressure for speedy recognition is being brought to bear on the department by some business and other interests, but a high officer stated emphatically today that no corporation, no group of corporations and no group of individuals was going to deliver American recognition to Mexico.

It was made clear that the United States was not demanding as a preliminary to recognition repeal of article 27, but it was stated that if the operation of laws enacted under that section were made retroactive, the American government could not accord

The United States, officials explained, is actuated by a delay to protect American interests in the southern republic and its study of the whole situation has invited and received from American corporations and individuals having interests in Mexico statements as to conditions there and the present

application of Mexicon laws. Early recognition of Mexico was forecast in a statement issued at the department some weeks ago, but apparently it is not much nearer now than it was then. Whether recognition will come before the present administration at Mexico City turns over the government to President-elect Obregon on December 1, is undetermined.

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire] NEW YORK, Nov. 17 .- After a brief respite, in which hopes were enter-tained of a recovery from the disturb-ing conditions which have attended almost every session since election day, the stock market met with fresh liquidation and short selling today. The general list fell to lowest prices for one to three years, United States WASHINGTON, Nov. 17. - Irish years at 80%.

leaders from over the country today Today's break was the more surprising because the market began with a show of firmness, attributed principally to the assurances from banking quarters that the protracted decline of securities and commodities had uncovered no points of financial weaklaid plans for opening tomorrow its

> These same assurances were tempered, however, with the statement that further liquidation would have to be effected especially in retail branches of trade, before confidence in the general business situation could

Much of today's selling, which embraced a number of conspicuous issues their origin in these intimations. There The newspapers opposed to Venizelos on the stand, he is expected to sit at were other unsettling developments, announce that most of the Venizelist the hearings as the attorney for the such as the very unsatisfactory state were other unsettling developments, supporters will be retained in the new American Commission on Irish Inde- of the steel industry and the sharp decline in values of shipping charters. The British embassy will not be rep. Reduction of the quarterly dividend on resented, formal declination of the Ajax rubber directed renewed attenturn of Prince George to the throne committee's invitation having been tion to the motor industry and affiland that the British prime minister forwarded by the embassy today. The lated trades and gave rise to the belief dustry is driven to the wall," Mr. Monembassy declared it could not approve that many more dividend disbursethe purposes of the inquiry and ex- ments would be reduced or entirely pressed the belief that the only result suspended. These same conditions would be the spreading of propaganda, were applicable to coppers and other The organization, formed by Irish metals as well as leathers, tobaccos sympathizers after a conference with and food products.

Rallies of one to three points in every phase of the development of the Eamonn de Valera, president of the provisional Irish republic, was said to favorite issues at the weak finish were process, be designed to supplant the Friends of due to short covering rather than Irish Freedom and the leading Irish actual supporting or buying orders, tween flotation users and Minerals Gilt edged rails paid toll to the day's Separation was one of the chief points setback, losing two to four points, General Chemical common on a singie sale of 100 shares, dropped 191/2 points and Famous Players represented hand investigation. The project re-the theatrical or film issues at a loss tinue paying royalties, sulted, it was said, from invitations to of 11 points. Sales amounted to Discussion of "blue send such a committee received by the slightly over 1,100,000 shares.

lar proposals from the Irish Catholic **Delegate Demands** hierarchy and numerous persons prom-inent in Protestant Ireland. Publicity on All Withdrawal of Raymond Robins of Chicago from membership in the inquiry commission also was announced tonight. His message to the commis-League Questions

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire] GENEVA, Nov. 17 .- South America and South Africa held the floor of the day. Honorio Pueyrredon, head of the state and federal laws which will fur- said. ssembly of the league of nations to-Argentine delegation, set forth imressively the Argentine view that all recognized nations must belong to the Investigating Cause ague to make it complete and avoid ST. LOUIS, Mo., Nov. 17.—Raymond the danger E. Jarrett, 38, and his wife, 36, were rival league. the danger of the organization of a found dead in bed in their home in

He said that a formula must be Webster Grove, a suburban, late to- found to permit the United States to day. An investigation has been begun come in and demanded that the league in an effort to ascertain the cause of be made more democratic by electing all the members of the council in the assembly, instead of allowing the big powers to name a majority of them, as at present.

This sounded like a formal notice to the big powers that they will encounter opposition from the smaller nations if they insist upon maintaining their nomination council.

Lord Robert Cecil, speaking in behalf of General Smuts as a member of the South African delegation, reviewed the entire report of the council results obtained. He declared some general principles, among which will be complete publicity, not only for the affairs of the league, but for world affairs generally, in order to bring pub-He opinion to bear upon abuses or infractions of the principles which are the basis for it.

Lord Robert referred to this in connection with the Polish-Albanian differences and introduced a resolution alling upon the league council to pub-News Dept. 4333 lish a report in its possesion bearing on this question.

Display Dept. 4332 He commanded the greatest attenmuch alive.

After sustained applause on Lord Brownsville. Robert's peroration, many of the dele- Crowds came out to greet Senator the police. gates turned toward the seats of the Harding at several towns along the French delegation, as it had been said way, but only a few stops were per-

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Master Mind Of Organized Labor WASHINGTON, Nov. 17.—Recognition of the new government in Mexico by the United States will be withheld, it was said today at the state depart-Bond on Charge of Attempting to Money From Contractors

Already a decisive victory over radi-

Conservative leaders in the federa

ing unemployment have now brought

Although leaders were reticent to-day, it developed that there was a

This settlement was based on two premises, first that organized labor

cannot hope to exert power in ensu-ing years if its foundations are weak-

ened by the permeation of certain rad-

In the reorganization of the commit-

mittee John J. Fitzpatrick, chairman,

President Gompers of the federa-

tion has declared against the unre-

Immigration Considered

Immigration has a bearing on the

question of unemployment, recognized

by the labor men to be increasing at

acterized by several labor officials to-

day as somewhat alarming nd they felt

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Robbed of Jewel

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]

NEW YORK, Nov. 17 .- An exten-

Before leaving Monday night to at

tend a reception at the home of Mrs.

Sidney Drew in Monmouth, N. J., Mrs.

Palmer arranged with her servants

that they would answer the door only

Shortly after 9 o'clock, the servants

signal arranged by Mrs. Palmer, and

they thought perhaps she had forgot-ten something. They answered the door. Cloaks were thrown over their

heads, they were bound and placed or

Returning Tuesday morning after 1 o'clock, Mrs. Palmer said she did not

want to disturb the servants and used

she noticed some disarrangement of

At the Drew reception Mrs. Palmer

The men carried her to her room

a bed in Mrs. Palmer's room.

bosom of her evening gown,

Parish.

when the bell rang twice, sharply.

and Fur Fortune

Wealthy Divorcee

a rapid rate. The situation was char-

policies of a conservative nature. Conservatives Strong

council that it should deal emphatical-torney Richter declared in appealing to

importance

LABOR FEDERATION CHARLED WILL FIGHT MENACE OF RADICAL FORCES

Coahuila Strike Aggravated When Federation of Labor through its exec-Men Take Mines Federation of Labor through the utive council in session here.

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire] EAGLE PASS, Texas, Nov. 17.—
The strike situation in Coahuila befar-reaching nature of the conferences cal elements within the organization came aggravated today when strikers of the council for a week past, dealing took over the mines, according to an with economic problems, appeared to official message received here from night to foreshadow some action look-Mexican Consul Emilano Tamez. The ing to closer co-operation between labor and capital to meet unemploymessage stated that the government disapproves of action and will hold ment strikers responsible for all destruction of property and disorders. Protection to Americans was guaranteed, the message stated.

on more determined stand by the con-trolling body, but reports of increas-The strikers are reported to be well organized and maintaining perfect order. Standing firm in their demands for 100 per cent increase in wages they are determined not to relinquish the mines according to an American who arrived today from the scene, until their demands are met. Americans are reported to be leaving the district coming to this side of the in-ternational boundary.

Charge "Mineral Separation" Not Fair to Mines | loal doctrines and second that the next | necessary motions. The indictment.

DENVER, Colo., Nov. 17.-Alfred A. quarters, labor could gain little from by Cook, chief counsel for Minerals Separation North American corporation, today defended his company charges of unfairness before a flotation conference in connection with the twenty-third annual convention of the American Mining congress here.

tion through "excessive royalties" for the use of inventions for ore separation through the flotation system braced a number of conspicuous issues "hindered the industry," Mr. Cook said including the film stocks, probably had Minerals Separation "had been forced to surround itself with every safeguard to protect its rights." He denied an assertion by Mr. Mon-

tague that the corporation had been "driven to the wall" by federal trade commission's proceedings. "Then there will be a fight until check the rush of immigrants from radical sections of Europe and Asia.

tague returned The flotation process is generally ad-

mitted by mining men here to be the best method of ore separation. Minerals Separation, speakers said today, own and control 68 patents covering The life' of license agreements be-

of contention. Mr. Montague asserted these agreements would be prolonged from year to year by the addition of new patents, and that mines must con-Discussion of "blue sky" legislation

came before delegates at the regular convention session this afternoon National legislation to supplement varied state "blue sky" laws was recommended to the resolutions commit tee for consideration.

D. Vance Sickman, Denver mining engineer, told the convention "the polician who seeks attention has but to tieth street, bound and gagged Mrs. he instantly springs into public favor." "This very spirit of public condemnation of our most important indus-

try may result in enactment of new \$54,000 insurance on the jewels, police New York. ther jeopardize the welfare of the ndustry," he said, Other speakers at the convention

session today were A. G. McKenzie, Salt Lake City; Judge E. C. Finney member of the United States board of appeals, and James G. Fitch, Socorro, M. Carl Scholz, Charleston, W. told the police, the bell rang twice, the Va., presided,

President-Elect May Stop at Some Mexican Port City [Republican A. P. Leased Wire]

BOARD PRESIDENT-ELECT furniture, she said, and rang for the HARDING'S SPECIAL TRAIN, Nov. butler. Three men, dressed similarly 17.—President-elect Harding's vaca- and wearing false moustaches and tion in Texas came to an end today wigs, answered. They told her the to the assembly and pointed out the New Orleans tonight to board a she said, but she tried to pass them steamer for a voyage in southern wa- and was pushed back.

His special train left Brownsville, Tex., at 10 a. m. on a scheduled run \$400,000 and two diamond bracelets. of exactly 24 hours along the gulf She darted past the men, she said, and coast to the Louisiana port. He will at the head of the stairs tripped, fell stay there five hours, making an ad- and was unable to rise. She tore her dress at noon before the New Orleans necklace and the pearls ran over the Association of Commerce, and board- floor. Her bracelets she thrust into the ing his steamer, the United Fruit liner Parismina, at 3 p. m.

Waether Vera Cruz or some other After they had picked up the scattered Mexican port will be visited by the pearls, she said, they returned, bound president-elect had not been an- her, then took the jewels from her one in the back. The others were nounced tonight. The Parismina's fingers and the bracelets she had se-Classified Dept. 4331 tien from the assembly, particularly present sailing orders call for a direct creted in her dress. when alluding to the statement attrib- run to the Panama canal zone, but Mr. Circulation Dept. 4333 when alluding to the statement act in the ranking can be requested to Senator Harding that the league was dead, he said that the request a change to permit him to act down morning. Soon after the butter of the council showed it was very port of the council showed it was very council showed it w territory tendered him yesterday at loosened his bonds, freed the maid and lentify Lang, if present, the witness

mitted by his schedule and he made no mer husband's name is said to be rear platform speeches.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 17 .- Direct steps to eliminate radicalism from any control in organized labor and to meet the menace of increasing unemployment are being taken by the American

President of New York Building Council Recognized Most Powerful Labor Leader in United States.

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire] NEW YORK, Nov 17. - The joint legislative committee's investigation tion have pounded away on the radical into the "building trust" resulted today question for several months, insisting in the indictment of Robert P. Brindell, president of the Building Trades council, one of the highest paid labor that subject into a position of equal leaders of the United States, on charges of attempting to extort money from contractors by threats of calling strikes. Collective extortion charges against feeling among certain members of the Brindell, Special Assistant District At-

ly with the attempts of radicals to bore from within. They were said to feel that conservatism must characterize \$1,000,000. After pleading not guilty, Brindell was held a prisoner in the criminal courts building for more than an hour, until his counsel could obtain \$100,000 ball. He was given nine days in which ical doctrines and second that the next to amend or change his plea or make

to the latter, it was said in some The indictment, the second returned the new congress unless it establishes growing out of the legislative investigation, contained three counts. In it Brindell was charged specically with attempting to extort \$7500 from Jacob Fradus, a house wrecker, by threaten. tee to unionize the steel workers the ing to call a strike or. a demo conservative element showed its strength. It eliminated from the com-

unless the money was paid him. the American Mining congress, and George L. Nye, Denver attorney, in an animated debate which held chief interest for delegates today.

Answering charges that the corporation of the steel strike last winter around which clustered intimated and outspeken radicalism. Fitzpatrick was replaced by M. F. Tighe a recognized to the conspicuous news lines. Vigorous protest was made to Judge placed by M. F. Tighe, a recognized and disclosures made before the Lock-conservative in labor policies, and Foster gave place to J. C. Brown, also a known conservative.

Contractor Forced to Quit Because he refused "to produce \$25,000' for Brindell, Fradus, upon stricted admission of radicals from Europe on several occasions and the whose testimony the labor leader was federation itself is having no interindicted, testified before the commitcourse with foreign labor groups of a teeon October 28 that he "had been radical turn. Federation leaders exbankrupted and put out of business' pect to go before the congressional by Brindell. ommittees at every opportunity to Later, he said, ne gave Brindell \$1000

for a letter which obtained a \$30,000 contract for a company organized by Increased restrictions will be urged, it his son The indictment of Brindell was not unexpected. Payments totaling more than \$100,000 were alleged to have been

received by the labor leader during the last ten months. Amounts of payments alleged ranged from \$200 to \$32,000, the latter being paid by H. S. Robertson, a builder, on account of an agreement to pay Brin-

dell \$50,000 for "strike insurance" and "labor movement information." Witness said Brindell and his agents referred to these payments as "commission," "compensation," "rake off," "our bet," "divvy" and "berries," one berry" signifying \$1000.

Builders testified that Brindell had

urned down offers of small amounts, declaring that he was no 'piker.' They characterized the labor leader's attitude as "bold," and said that unless sive search was instituted tonight for they "came across" as directed he three men who early Tuesday entered would not hesitate to put them out of a fashionable residence in East Nine- business.

In absolute control of the building shout 'down with the coal trust' and Charlotte King Palmer, wealthy di- trades council, with its membership of vorcee, and her two servants, then 115,000 union workers, Brindell has escaped with jewels and furs valued been regarded as one of the most powby the family at \$500,000. There was erful factors in organized labor in

HAITIANS SHOT

PORT AU PRINCE, Nov. 17 .- The direct charge that Freeman Lang formerly a corporal in the marine corps and a lieutenant in the gendarmerie, Haitian prisoners at Hinche and he was well on his way toward house was in danger of being robbed, in 1917, was made today before the court of inquiry which is investigating the activities of the American marines in Haiti by Adloph Burgot, a natve. wore a pearl necklace valued by her at Lang was formerly a resident of Los Angeles, Cal.

Bourgot, who at the time was acting as corporal in the gendarmerie, testified he witnessed the eexcution of the prisoners which occurred immediately after a night attack. He testified that "during the attack which lasted half an hour, the three Haltians were in prison. When the attack ended, Lang ordered them out, shooting the first brought out singly meeting the same way. I was in the prison yard with Proceeding leisurely, Mrs. Palmer

other natives seeking safety.' his mistress and called physicians and rose and pointed across the table at Lang. At this juncture the court re-

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